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WEB PAGE THUMBNAILS AND USER CONFIGURED COMPLEMENTARY  
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## CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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5 The present application is related to copending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,694, now US Patent No. 6,356,908, AT9-99-057 entitled "Automatic Web Page Thumbnail Generation", U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,696, now patent No. 6,405,192, (IBM Docket No. AT9-99-101 entitled "Navigation Assistant".

10 - Method and Apparatus for Providing User Configured Complementary Information for Data Browsing in a Viewer Context", U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,693, now abandoned, (IBM Docket No. AT9-99-086 entitled "Method and System

15 for Providing a Graphical Tree View of Web Pages"), and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,695, now abandoned, No. AT9-99-087 entitled "Web Page Thumbnails with Active 20 Hot Links" filed even date herewith. The above mentioned patent applications are assigned to the assignee of and share the same inventors as the present invention. The content of the cross referenced copending applications are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

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## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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## 1. Technical Field:

The present invention relates to an improved computer system and in particular to computer software and more particularly to web browser software. Still more particularly, the present invention provides a method and apparatus for filtering and previewing data.